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Minutes of the Fifth Meeting
of the Ad Hoc Committee
to Survey Scientific & Technical Intelligence
10 June 1952

MEMBERS

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The meeting was devoted to a discussion of the problem of coordinating mechanisms in the field of scientific and technical intelligence.

The Chairman suggested that this problem was really two-fold, since there seemed to be two types of coordinating mechanisms with which the Committee would have to concern itself. One is a continuing mechanism for the coordination of intelligence activities, and such a mechanism had been proposed in Colonel Pinsky's paper. The second is the question of what mechanisms should be set up to insure the coordination of intelligence opinion in a certain number of specialized fields of scientific and technical intelligence, in response to the needs of the various consumers, including the National Security Council.

Mr. Trushart suggested that these specialized fields of scientific and technical intelligence could be divided into three categories, namely:

1. Those in which all departments and agencies of the IAC (and, occasionally, some others) have responsibility. This is exemplified by the field of JAMIC.
2. Those in which a single military service has primary responsibility.

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3. Those in which more than one military service, but no non-military department or agency, has responsibility.

As to the first two categories, there would seem to be no difficulty, since requirements could be laid upon a coordinating mechanism such as JAEIC (in the case of the first) or directly upon the military service having responsibility (in the case of the second).

As to the third category, however, CIA required some assurance on the part of the Services that requirements for a coordinated opinion, or working paper, suitable for the needs of the national intelligence process could be met through a mechanism:

- a. Of sufficient stature to produce studies which the Agencies would stand behind;
- b. Which would permit direct contact between the national intelligence organization and scientific and technical experts; and
- c. Which could operate expeditiously enough to meet the time schedules required for National Intelligence Estimates.

Accordingly, the Chairman requested the Services and JIC to supply an answer to the following question:

"What coordinating mechanisms are the Services prepared to afford in areas of Department of Defense responsibility so that coordinated views in those fields will be available, as needed, by the DCI and the IAC."

The Chairman also asked the Service representatives, and particularly G-2, to address themselves to the question of how the intelligence assets of the technical service and other non-intelligence components will be made available and coordinated with the work of the intelligence components.

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